

CATAWBA COUNTY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN
ANNEX N
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

I. PURPOSE

This annex provides a system of identifying and locating resources within the County and a method of activating those resources during an emergency. The preservation, conservation, and replenishment of these resources is also included.

II. SITUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS

A. Situation -

1. Catawba County has many resources, that can be used in the event of a disaster, to reduce the impact on local government and the public served.
2. Each city/town within Catawba County has resources that may be used in a disaster situation. When there is not a direct impact on a municipality their resources may be called upon, by prior agreement, to assist in damaged areas.

B. Assumptions - The required resources will be available to provide for the assistance to the endangered population.

III. CONCEPT OF OPERATION

- A. County departments and agencies will use their own resources and equipment during emergencies and will have control over the management of these resources when the resources are needed to respond to an emergency situation.
- B. Municipal departments and agencies will use their resources and equipment during emergencies and will maintain control over the management of their resources. Use of these resources outside the incorporated limits will be by requests of other municipalities or the Catawba County Emergency Management Coordinator under prior agreement.

- B. The Finance Officer will prepare routine procurement procedures for the acquisition or replacement of resources during day-to-day operation and also develop a procurement system to acquire expendable supplies during emergencies.
- C. A resource manual identifying resources, the control agency and the procedures needed to activate these resources at any time, will be kept in the Office of Emergency Management.
- D. The Emergency Management Coordinator will also identify those resources and capabilities that are available in local businesses and industry and other contributing organizations, and develop the mutual aid agreements required to acquire those resources to support the County under emergency conditions.
- E. As key resources become depleted or unusual needs occur, requests for assistance will go to the State of North Carolina through the Division of Emergency Management. The State can as needed expand its resources by making requests to the Federal Government for assistance.

IV. DIRECTION AND CONTROL

- A. Utilization of resources under the operational control of local government response forces will be coordinated by the Emergency Management Coordinator under the direction of the Chairman, County Board of Commissioners.
- B. The commitment of resources from outside government will be initiated by the Emergency Management Coordinator with operational control being exercised by the on-site commander of the service requiring that resource.
- C. The mutual aid agreements developed pre-disaster will determine who will move, operate, maintain and bear the cost of operation for equipment used under emergency conditions.

V. CONTINUITY OF GOVERNMENT

- A. The line of succession for resource management is:

1. Emergency Management Coordinator
 2. Assistant County Manager
 3. County Manager
- B. Resource Management does not fall under a centralized control element, but is coordinated from the Emergency Operations Center during emergency operations.